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News Media Access for Evacuee Operations at 128th Air Refueling Wing

A charter aircraft carrying Hurricane Katrina evacuees to Wisconsin is expected to arrive at the Wisconsin Air National Guard base at Mitchell Field, Milwaukee, early this afternoon [Thursday, Sept. 8].

Note to Editors and News Directors: News media are welcome to cover the reception and processing of Hurricane Katrina evacuees at the Air Guard base.

News media access to the base will be available after 1:00 p.m. Thursday afternoon. The charter aircraft is expected to arrive at base at approximately 1:30 p.m.

Some access restrictions are expected to be in place at the base to protect the privacy of the evacuees, however military public affairs officers and civilian public information officers will be available to assist news organizations as best they can. We also expect to provide an opportunity to have your questions answered by officials of agencies supporting evacuee operations in Milwaukee.

News media organizations wishing to cover this event must contact Lt. John Capra in advance (414-944-8539) so arrangements can be made for access to the military installation. The 128th Air Refueling Wing base is located at 1919 East Grange Avenue (off Pennsylvania Avenue along the east side of General Mitchell International Airport).

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